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#### MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Applicants and their counsel have carefully reviewed the Office Action dated September 24, 2004, but believe the claims in their present form are patentable over the references relied upon by the Examiner. Reconsideration of the application in view of the following arguments in support of patentability is therefore respectfully requested.

## REMARKS

As an initial matter, the Examiner requested that Applicants provide an update of the status of the counterpart foreign applications. The counterpart Swedish application, in accordance with the usual practice of the present Assignee and many other companies, was filed solely to obtain an early Search Report, and was then withdrawn. The counterpart German application has been filed, but an examination request has not yet been made, which is also in accordance with the normal practice of the present Assignee.